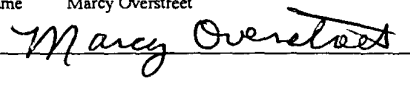


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to prosecution on the merits and calculation of filing fees, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please **insert** the following paragraph at page 1 of the Specification before the section entitled "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION":

--This application is a continuation of Application No. 09/467,638, filed December 20, 1999, which is a divisional of Application No. 08/808,720, filed February 28, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,100,387.--

Please **replace** the paragraph at page 6, lines 7-9, with the following **amended** paragraph:

(f) a polynucleotide comprising the nucleotide sequence of the full-length protein-coding sequence of clone S1-3 deposited under accession number ATCC 98338;